Chairman Faucher called the meeting to order at 1835 hours.

Discussion was held on the drafted bylaw changes submitted by the bylaws committee. Copies of the drafted bylaws were distributed at the meeting. A motion was made by Chairman Faucher to accept the changes as submitted. Dr. Maddalo seconded the motion and the board unanimously approved the new bylaws.

A motion was made to fill the Secretary’s position that was previously held by Mr. Nardozzi. Dr. Nigro made a motion to nominate Chris Kalish to fill this position; the motion was seconded by Mr. Dawson and unanimously approved.

Chairman Faucher requested the DES Commissioner be queried to see if the EMS Advisory Board Chairman can make recommendations for membership on the board. Dr. Nigro suggested we consider Al Kim from Westchester EMS be considered if we are allowed to make recommendations. Mike Volk advised he will relay the request to Commissioner Cullen.

Discussion was held on considering holding meetings on a quarterly basis. It was felt this idea was reasonable and that if required the EAB chairman can always call a special meeting.

The 2013 meeting dates were discussed and unanimously approved as follows:

- January 8, 2013
- April 9, 2013
- September 10, 2013
- November 12, 2013
The meeting minutes from the October 9, 2012 meeting were unanimously approved.

**EMS Evacuation Bus:**
Mike Volk briefly discussed the progress on the County’s evacuation bus project. A meeting was held in NYC to view the FDNY Major Emergency Transportation Unit (METU). FDNY graciously provide a tour of the unit and provided knowledgeable staff from EMS Operations and their Fleet Management to answer any questions. The committee is hopeful to utilize similar specification to NYC’s bus when putting the bus out to bid. Photos of the bus will be made available to the EAB membership.

**New Business:**
Chairman Faucher discussed future projects and direction of the EAB. A meeting will be requested with Commissioner Cullen to see if there are any special projects or direction required of the EABs.

Lengthily discussion followed on the future direction of the EAB and initiatives for 2013. It was felt that items that the County Executive can assist with should be pursued. The members were briefly queried to generate ideas. Some discussion was held on the need to support for a strong recruitment and retention program along with other ideas to enhance EMS in Westchester.

A motion was made to request all EAB members to generate projects and ideas for 2013. All members are requested to provide their ideas and suggests by email by no later than February 1, 2013.

A list will be produced from the ideas provided and direction can be discussed when all ideas are received.

The meeting was adjourned at 1925 hours.

The next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday April 9, 2013** 1830 hours at DES.